(b) whether Government are aware that the said river is changing its course between the towns of Azamgarh and Gorak-pur thereby endangering the large number of population and villages and further leading to erosion of thousands of acres of agricultural land etc.;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether assistance of the army au thorities has been sought to stop such change of course of the river; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and the action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The river has been shifting its course within the meander belt causing erosion of its banks as well as some agricultural land.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

**Display of price tags by shopkeepers in Delhi**

2629. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state.-

(a) whether it is a fact that price tags are not displayed on the commodities in Delhi and that buyers have to pay high prices for t*ne commodities;

(b) if so, what are the reasons there for;

(c) whether Government propose to make price tag mandatory; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken »n this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI K.P.SINGH DEO): (a) to (d) As per information received from the Delhi Administration, price tags are not being displayed on all commodities by traders in Delhi due to practical difficulties. However, when the price of rice and sugar showed an upward trend the Administration directed ajj the traders to Put price tags for these two com-' modifies with effect from 2-8-1985. Thereafter, 1977 checkings wer^. conducted to ascertain if price tags were being fixed for the two commodities. Threo violations were detected and FIR lodged in all cases.

**Paddy Procurement in Punjab by FCI**

2630. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL; Will the Minister of FOOD and CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantity of paddy pro cured by the Food Corporation of India in Punjab so far in the current season;

(b) what was the quantity procured last year; and

(c) what are the reasons for low pro curement this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) to (c) The Food Corporation of India has procured 18.69 lakh tonnes of paddy in Punjab, upto 9-12-85. Upto the same date last year, the FCI had procured 18.76 lakh tonnes. There is no significant difference in the procurement during the two years.

**Magazines^ Periodicals brought out by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting**

2631. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BAN SAL: Will the Minister of INFORMA TION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the different magazines| periodicals brought out by the various Departments|organs of his Ministry;

(b) what is the total cost incurred on these magazines; and

(c) what is the print order and actual circulation of each of these magazines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**Statement**

*Names of Magazines/periodicals published during* **1984-85** *with their cost of production, print order and circulation, per issues*

| Name of Magazines/Periodical | Periodicity | Average Cost of production | Average Print order | Average Circulation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| | | Rs. | | |
| Ajkal (Hindi) | Monthly | 30,000.00 | 7,500 | 7,159 |
| Ajkal (Urdu) | Monthly | 35,000.00 | 10,750 | 10,300 |
| Bal Bharati (Hindi) | Monthly | 1,83,000.00 | 27,000 | 27,000 |
| Indian & Foreign Review (English) | Fortnightly | 1,50,000.00 | 29,000 | 28,750 |
| Kurukshetra (English) | Monthly | 44,200.00 | 13,000 | 12,780 |
| Kurukshetra (Hindi) | Monthly | 29,900.00 | 6,500 | 5,000 |
| Yojana (English) | Fortnightly | 37,800.00 | 18,000 | 17,900 |
| Yojana (Hindi) | Do. | 35,550.00 | 9,500 | 9,400 |
| Yojana (Assamese) | Do. | 3,040.00 | 1,600 | 1,100 |
| Yojana (Bengali) | Do. | 5,200.00 | 1,600 | 1,500 |
| Yojana (Gujarati) | Do. | 5,250.00 | 1,500 | 1,480 |
| Yojana (Marathi) | Do. | 4,000.00 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Yojana (Malayalam) | Do. | 3,400.00 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| Yojana (Tamil) | Do. | 13,000.00 | 13,000 | 12,600 |
| Yojana (Telugu) | Do. | 3,420.00 | 2,100 | 2,000 |
| Yojana (Urdu) | Do. | 3,780.00 | 700 | 700 |
| Yojana (Kannada)@ | Monthly | 8,750.00 | 2,500 | @ Printing taken up, |
| Yojana (Panjabi)@ | Monthly | 6,000.00 | 1,000 | in August 1985. |
| Employment News (English) | Weekly | | 2,11,350 | 2,11,350 |
| Rozgar Samachar (Hindi) | Do. | 2,50,154.00 | 65,250 | 65,250 |
| Rozgar Samachar (Urdu) | Do. | | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Akashvani (English) | Fortnightly | 20,21,940.00* | 10,560 | 10,410 |
| Akashvani (Hindi) | Do. | 6,69,330.00* | 2,170 | 2,020 |
| Awaz (Urdu) | Do. | 9,66,560.00* | 2,760 | 2,610 |
| Akashi (Assamese) | Do. | 3,60,471.00* | 4,027 | 4,025 |
| Betar Jagat (Bengali) | Do. | 15,18,173.00* | 7,675 | 7,657 |

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nabhovani (Gujarati) . . . . | Do. | 44,812.00* | 300 | 286 |
| Vani (Telugu) . . . . . | Do. | 4,48.599.00* | 7,113 | 7,113 |
| Vanoli . . . . . | Do. | 11,10,745.00* | 8,029 | 7,768 |
| *Bhagirath (English) . . . | Quarterly | 38,000.00 | 2,720 | 2,704 |
| **Bhagirath (Hindi) . . . | Do. | 25,000.00 | 2,250 | 2,221 |

*Approx. total cost during the year 1984-85.

**The entire work relating to publication and circulation has since been transferred to Central Water Commission.

**Regulation of services watchmen of the Food Corporation of India**

2632. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Industrial Tribunal (Central Government) Chandigarh has in case No. ID 18 of 1983 held *vide* order dated the 29th September, 1984 that the watchmen employed by the Food Corporation of India on. casual basis were entitled to have their service regularised; and

lb) if so, what action the Food Corporation of India has taken thereafter in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Food Corporation of rndia filed an appeal before the Honourable Punjab and Haryana High Court who quashed the award of Industrial Tribunal, Chandigarh. The Food Corporation: of India Class-IV Employees Union has filed a petition for special leave to appeal before the Supreme Court of India. The matter is *sub-fudice.*

**Guidelines for procurement of seeds by States**

2633. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have issued certain guidelines to the State Governments in regard to the procurement of seeds; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) No, Sir. The Government of India have not issued any guidelines for procurement of seeds by the States.

(b) Does not arise.

**Suspension of services of development news magazine and science features of TVNF**

2634. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state what were the circumstances under which his Ministry asked Doordarshan lo suspend the services of Development News Magazine and Science Features of TVNF after the country-wise tenders last year?

THE MINISTER OF STAXE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): Doordarshan had been getting short programmes from TVNF on science and developmental subjects on the long term basis. This procedure has been reviewed after the introduction of ENG video recording facilities and announcement of new stringership scheme. On account of ENG video recording facilities, Doordarshan has received proposals 'for preparation of science and developmental programmes from various parties